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Field house renovations force athletic staff to migrate

John A. Reed
Kaimin Reporter

Come this fall, boxing will be a part of Grizzly athletics. But don't grab the gloves just yet.

With every Grizzly home football game this September — and there's six of them, not counting possible playoffs — everyone from UM Athletic Director Wayne Hogan to the UM coaching staff will be forced to box up their offices on the Friday before a game, move out and not return until Sunday afterward.

Thanks to the ongoing UM field house renovations, the athletic department will be taking up temporary quarters in the private suites at Washington-Grizzly Stadium, said Marie Porter, UM's associate athletic director.

Porter said she and her boss have already

made the move and are now camped out in two of the leased suites. The rest of Grizzly athletics will have to make the move on July 1 when their present offices are demolished.

The only shortcoming, Porter said, is that the private stadium boxes will still be used for every Griz home game, necessitating the cardboard box-shuffling ritual.

The football coaching staff and athletic trainers will use two trailers parked near the stadium for their homes, Porter said. One of the trailers was donated to Grizzly football, she said, and the other leased for the duration of the renovation.

The day-to-day business operations and sports information will also dwell in the stadium boxes, but won't have to move out every time in the home-game exodus, Porter said.

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Campus gets a facelift

Campus construction projects this summer will change UM's looks for fall semester 1998.

Kevin Krebsbach, associate director for Facilities Services' Planning and Construction, said three new construction ventures will kick off this summer, to go along with the ongoing \$15 million field house renovation:

•Pharmacy addition — A \$10.4 million expansion to be added on the north side of

the current building.

•The Lodge parking lot — A \$55,000 "reconfiguring" of the lot on the south side of the Lodge, to allow for better delivery access.

•Classrooms and labs — A campus-wide upgrade to make some classrooms into multimedia rooms and improve student labs. The money for the upgrades will come from \$7 million appropriated for UM and its satellite campuses.

Costly classes after graduation get second look

Sonja Lee
Kaimin Reporter

The Board of Regents have agreed to reconsider a policy that forces students to pay extra tuition if they come back for more classes after they've earned a bachelor's degree.

Students who return to school pay 120 percent of the resident cost of tuition under the policy, which was put in place last year.

But some say the policy really isn't fair to people who want to continue learning.

"Changing the tuition rate seems to contradict the philosophy of higher education," Student Regent Jason Thielman said.

The plan was put in place to make sure that students weren't taking undergraduate classes at a lower cost while actually pursuing a master's degree.

Commissioner of Higher Education Richard Crofts said if the higher tuition plan is nixed, the regents will have to limit the number of class hours those students can take.

"If we do nothing at all, what we are doing is inviting students to delay applying for grad school," Crofts said.

The university system garnered about \$300,000 from the policy last year, Thielman said. Between \$50,000 and \$70,000 went to UM.

The largest portion came from Montana State University-Billings during last year's summer session, Thielman said.

Thielman said many of the students paying the penalty were taking a few courses to

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BLOODHOUND LOST AND FOUND



Peter Jones/Kaimin

Linda Zimmermann, the wife of the graduate school student dean David Zimmermann, plays with their bloodhounds in their backyard.

Katja Stromnes
Kaimin Reporter

Their noses know.

So don't even try to hide the couch. They'll take a side of sofa for an appetizer. They're bloodhounds. They bellow and slobber and chew up furniture, and for David Strobel, UM's associate dean of graduate studies, they're the perfect housemates.

For the past 10 years, Strobel and his wife, Linda Zimmermann, have been foster parents for homeless bloodhounds in their role as Montana's coordinators for the Northwest Bloodhound Breed Rescue of the American Bloodhound Club.

Hosting as many as 12 bloodhounds at once, Strobel says he holds a special place in his house for the dogs. One-third of the house, actually.

Every four months the couple is forced to get a new second-hand couch for the dogs to chew and sleep on. But for Strobel, it's all part of the deal.

Regional bloodhound breed rescuers like Strobel and Zimmermann are often alerted to abandoned bloodhounds when contacted by the the American Bloodhound Club, which maintains contact with vets and humane societies across the country. There are rescue groups in Montana for eight different breeds of dogs, according to the Missoula Humane Society.

Often, bloodhounds are abandoned by owners who watch with

fear as the cute, wrinkled puppies they loved grow up to be slobbering adults that act destructively out of boredom.

Puppy mills and pet stores also present problems.

Bloodhounds are sometimes bought impulsively and discarded when the going gets tough, Strobel says.

A number of years ago, he and Zimmermann received two dogs from a man who had been hired by a pet store to breed the dogs and sell them back to the store. The man hadn't been paid by the pet store so he was forced to keep them. When Strobel got them, one dog was unconscious from having his neck tied to the truckbed, and the other was pregnant.

Eventually, they found homes for the dogs. But it's difficult, Strobel said.

This week, a local family gave up a 2-year-old bloodhound after she'd spread shampoo and conditioner on their living room carpet — the last straw in a series of destructive incidents, Zimmermann said.

So begins the process of finding an appropriate home for yet another bloodhound.

Bloodhounds are a misunderstood breed, Zimmermann contends. They're loyal, but their noses come first.

"They're more independent than most dogs," she said. "They're bred to follow their nose. They're so DNA-programmed to follow a scent, I've seen them smash into trees."

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—Linda Zimmermann
bloodhound rescuer

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Opinion

Kaimin's annual nods and tisk-tisks

PITS AND PLUMBS

A PIT to the ASUM presidential candidates Bryce Smedley and Barrett Kaiser for showing that childish theatrics and name-calling still have a reserved seat in politics. You been bad boys! Make mama mad!

A PLUM to former UM basketball coach Blaine Taylor for shooting for that big rim in the sky and taking an assistant coaching job at national championship hopeful Stanford, where they actually have a stadium and stuff.

A PIT to the proposed \$12.5 million parking structure, which would cause the price of a yearly student decal to rise from \$98 to \$260. Go away, parking structure. You're too expensive for us and we don't like you.

A PLUM to UM junior Jeremy O'Day for ending a year of gut-throwing, sign waving and squirt gun-pointing by those upset with Montana's policy to shoot wayward Yellowstone bison. O'Day actually sat down with Gov. Marc Racicot and talked about the issue. He's really nobody to be afraid of, the governor.

A PIT to the Mansfield Masturbator for disrupting hard-charging students in the library by randomly exposing himself throughout the semester until he was caught and jailed.

A PLUM to Missoula's Eric Bergoust who was pure Olympic Gold in men's aericals in Nagano, Japan and gave Missoula most righteous props on national TV. Suck eggs, Ryan Leaf.

A PIT to the Board of Regents for their policy that may have students with more 144 credits paying out-of-state tuition by the year 2000. Hell, we at the Kaimin got that many credits in our shorts!

A PLUM to people who placed the mysterious geometric contraption on the Oval. It's nearly as random as this plum.

-Kaimin Staff

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Friday, May 1

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Art Exhibit — "To Dance! A Dancer's Vision," 9 a.m.-noon and 1-5 p.m., Mon-Fri, Paxson Gallery, PAR-TV Center, free.

Ecology Seminar Series — "Environmental Stochasticity and Dynamics of a Yellowstone Elk Population," 2:10-3 p.m., Journalism 304, free.

Saturday, May 2

Festival — Scandinavian Heritage and Craft Festival, displays, gifts, food and music, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., at the Target Range School, 4095 S. Avenue W., free.

UM Rodeo — Performance at 2 p.m., Bull-O-Rama at 7 p.m., Western Montana Fairgrounds, \$5.

Concert — Jazz Festival, 7:30 p.m., University Theatre, \$9/general and \$6/students.

Dance Workshop — Missoula Folklore Society presents "Duke Nuken" and "The Atomic Waste Band," workshop begins at 7:30 p.m., call 251-4643 for info.

Sunday, May 3

Concert — Chamber Chorale and Men's Chorus, 3 p.m., Music Recital Hall, free.

UM Rodeo — Performance at noon, Western Montana Fairgrounds, \$5.

Graduate Recital — Jee-Kiat Wong on piano, 7:30 p.m., Music Recital Hall, free.

Benefit Picnic — For Anne Marie Lombardi, 4:30 p.m., Caras Park, music, food, face painting, and a silent auction, \$10 donation at the park, bring a dish and utensils, call 728-7963 for info.

Monday, May 4

Meeting — Campus Recycling Meeting, 1 p.m., UC Montana Room 360D, call 243-2908 for info.

Career Fair — 13th Annual Multi-State Educators' Career Fair, 8 a.m.-noon and 1-4 p.m., Harry Adams Field House, call 243-2359 for info.

Tuesday, May 5

Lecture Series — "Answering Criticisms of Wilderness," part of 19th annual Wilderness Issues, 7:10-9 p.m., Social Sciences 352.

Career Fair — 13th Annual Multi-State Educators' Career Fair, 8 a.m.-noon, Harry Adams Field House, call 243-2359 for info.

Video Series — "Bill Millison's Global Gardener," 7 p.m., Urey Lecture Hall, call 327-8831 for info.

Letters to the Editor

Heterosexuals don't need own parade

Dear Editor,

I am compelled to respond to the sentiments of Brodie Verworm. Heterosexuals already have celebrations of their mainstream sexuality. A parade of recently married and engaged straight people is published every Saturday on the society page. The sanctity of heterosexual partner choice is protected by law. Marriage licensing, insurance and estate laws, child custody and even divorce laws recognize the validity of heterosexual relationships. This same cannon does not equally protect those with alternative sexuality. Perhaps Mr. Verworm will recognize his privileges when he sees all that is denied to other citizens. I am a married person. I do not fear job loss, discrimination or violence should someone discover my wedding ring. Can the same be said of gays and lesbians in

Montana today?

I was saddened to see the companionship of both men and women defined by the quality of their parts and not the quality of their hearts. The highbrow displays requested by Mr. Verworm are commonly found on daytime television and beer commercials. His family must feel so proud. Mr. Verworm may believe that he loves women but his letter leads me to wonder if he loves liberty.

Lea Colvill
History

UM's insurance plan a fraud

Dear Editor,

This university should not tolerate the rising health care coverage and decreasing benefits. It should be a negotiable part of your staff or faculty contract as should parking fees, child care services and wellness issues. It has caused adverse work

conditions and it is clearly an unfair and deceptive labor practice to force your employees to make "CHOICES" without being told that your insurance fund was \$2.6 million in the hole before this plan ever took effect and wait until contracts are ratified before changed in insurance and retirement are made public or that CHOICES was a losing proposition before entering into it.

I don't like paying into a fund when we are not kept informed of its status or have any control of it. We should have quarterly reports of all funds that our money goes into, be it retirement, insurance, vacancy savings or general parking fees (which are rumored to increase in 3 months from \$105 to approx. \$264 and reserved to over \$700). The 1 percent to 6 percent raise that everybody received...
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More Letters to the Editor

the last 6 months will turn into an average loss to all UM employees of 2 percent to 10 percent from parking fees and increased insurance premiums and other losses in benefits in just the last two years. Find another insurance plan and Say No to CHOICES before paying one more cent July 1st. Sign petitions that are being generated to show that we want other options not CHOICES.

Karen Blazeovich
Math Dept (staff)

Environmentalism isn't that dirty

The ASUM elections are over, and I feel inclined to apologize on behalf of one of my comrades, Bryce Smedley, who ran against Barrett Kaiser for ASUM President. I too am part of the environmental community. In fact, I have worked extensively with the main group that supports Cove/Mallard direct action (a group with which Bryce is heavily involved). During the same period of time, for a year and a half, I was vice chair for MontPIRG (a group with which Barrett is heavily involved). I support the goals and methods of both and served through unity and mutual support.

I am not sure, however, that Mr. Smedley shares this belief. Upon reading the article published in last week's Independent, I had to laugh aloud. The article quoted Bryce as saying that those activists who did not participate in the Cove/Mallard protests were not "real" activists. I believe the term was "pansy environmentalist." He was also quoted as saying that Barrett's lack of involvement was bullshit. This disturbs me, because it seems clear to me that the ASUM presidential race is a political race for the university and it's students. It's a process where students choose who will best serve their interests. It is not an environmental showdown, and it is not place for activist peacocks to display their feathers. Name-calling and slandering demean the political process and damage the effectiveness and reputation of the environmental movement.

The environmental movement, of which the goals and values are shared by Barrett, Bryce and many other dedicated students, can only be hurt by infighting. This is the first and most important political lesson that must be learned by any socially concerned

coalition. Gratuitous and self-serving politics within politics will only create gridlock within the movement. Moreover, when people outside of the movement encounter petty bickering like that displayed by Bryce throughout the campaign, they come to the conclusion that environmentalists are nothing but a group of extremists competing to be the most extreme. A war of sound bites may serve the pragmatic political interests of political candidates, as is all-too-evident at the national level, but will only dirty the soul of grass roots environmentalism. The point of grass roots activism is to provide an alternative to the heartless and mindless political process that dominated at the national level. Bryce has done no one a service by bringing those tactics to the local level.

The ASUM race this year was unfortunately characterized by mud-slinging and personal attacks. I commend Barrett for struggling to stay focused and to rise above these attacks. Bryce took a campus race and turned it into an environmental battle ground, which in the end hurt both the political process and the movement for which he so fervently proselytizes. I admire both Bryce and Barrett for running, and for their devotion to the environmental movement. (By the way, no one who has worked with Barrett questions his dedication or his effectiveness.) I hope that those outside of the environmental movement do not let the childish one-upping of "more radical than thou" that characterized the resent ASUM election sully their opinion of the movement as a whole. As a participant in many facets of the movement, I can testify that it suffers from an embarrassment of building that is carried forward by students of uncompromising dedication. Both Barrett and Bryce deserve credit for their participation. Barrett will reflect that dedication in office and will be a credit to the movement of which he has been such an important part.

Stefanie Sekich
senior, environmental studies

Gay isn't good

Editor,
While I respect the right of anyone to say what they want to say, I found myself offended by the sidewalk scrawlings of those participating in Pride Week. I don't agree that "gay is good," but I do believe in respecting others' beliefs and tend to get a little defensive when my beliefs are attacked. One of the sidewalk scrawlings was "If you are a

homophobe, you may be queer." I don't think so. Maybe you "queers" are just repressing your latent heterosexuality. You may say that you are gay because you just are. Well, I am straight because I just am - why can't you respect that fact. Another saying is "How do you know your mom isn't gay." Is this the sort of thing you say when you are proud to be gay?

One thing I do know about my mother. She taught me manners, and that saying is just plain offensive.

Why can't we have a straight pride week? I'll tell you why, because we would be labeled extremists and bigots, but it's OK for you.

Maybe because I'm not gay I don't see how straight culture is rammed down your throats making you defensive, but if any change is to be wrought for the better being accusatory and offensive and ramming your culture down our throats won't help.

How can true equality be achieved when all we can do is argue about our differences and drawing lines in the sand. This will only lead to more of the violence that you seek to halt. You must also recognize that when two people, groups, or nations fight, that there is blame to be held by BOTH sides.

Also, I think it is irresponsible to base your entire lifestyle and political motivations on something you do in the bedroom, regardless of whether you are gay or straight.

I really would like to get along with everyone. Please stop

Sincerely,
Aaron McArthur

Take Back the Night coverage inappropriate

Dear Editor,
As the organizers of Take Back the Night we would like to express our disappointment with the article published on April 21. Not only did Ms. Skornogowski, the author, completely miss the point of Take Back the Night in her article, but she inappropriately retold the stories of three women taken form the very specific context of the speak-out. She neglected to ask permission of the speakers as well.

Given this inappropriate and incomplete coverage, we would like to say a few words about Take Back the Night. The week was a huge success overall and everyone who helped out, donated, gave feedback and participated deserve a huge THANK YOU. Take Back the Night is a time for survivors and supporters to come together to address the issue of violence against women. With the changes

this year, specifically men's involvement and the speak-out, we feel we were effective in coming together, listening to each other, protesting and moving towards healing. Unfortunately, Ms. Skornogowski's article failed to address any of this, which is what Take Back is really about.

Instead, Ms. Skornogowski wrote specific stories of survivors that were taken from the very particular setting of the speak-out. In contrast to the apparent message of the article, the speak-out is not a place for women to speak in order to be revictimized or traumatized. The speak-out is a place for sharing and learning, a time for survivors and supporters to share experiences and ultimately move beyond the violence toward healing. The inappropriate manner in which the article was written was disrespectful, exploitative and revictimizing. We are activists, not journalists, and we acknowledge that and are here to say it is not appropriate to print a survivor's story in such a way. If the journalist's primary duty is to 'afflict the comfortable and comfort the afflicted,' as advocates for survivors we feel Ms. Skornogowski failed. We feel an apology to the women you so carelessly wrote of would only be appropriate at this point. In addition, we encourage you to take advantage of the resources we have available here at the Women's Center and hopefully work with us in the future so this unfortunate incident does not happen again.

Thank you,

Kate Kahan
outreach coordinator,
UM Women's Center

Disabled displaced

Dear Editor,
As I wheeled my chair out of the UC I noticed that the clouds had disappeared and the bright sun was shining through. The rain was gone and I was excited to start exploring the campus since I would be attending UM next fall. My first stop was Disability Services for Students (DSS). The gentleman at the information desk had supplied me with a map of the campus and I was on my way. I pushed my wheelchair across the oval and was taken by the beauty of the campus. Tons of people were studying or tossing a Frisbee or just lying around on the green, green grass. I felt comfortable and happy to be here and I couldn't wait to start school. That is, until I reached the offices of what this school jokingly refers to as disability services. First, there are no accessible entrances at the

front of the building. The only ramp is located in the back, near the dumpsters. Yes, that is correct, Disability Services for Students DOES NOT have an accessible entrance in the front. I started down the ramp and splashed right into a puddle from the earlier rain. So much for wearing white pants, I thought. I entered the building with my splattered clothes and wondered how icy it would get in the winter. The first thing I noticed was how utterly dark it was. I glanced behind me and watched the warm sunlight disappear as the door closed. The basement (where DSS is located), is small and cramped. I found the main office and tried to squeeze through. My chair scraped the sides of the door on my way in, but from the several scraped already engraved in the doorway, I could tell this was a constant problem. The friendly staff was crowded into a tiny cell of a room with one tiny window barely letting in a weak ray of sun and pipes running across the ceiling. The staff had tried to decorate the room to brighten it up, but it still appeared gloomy and I could not imagine coming here on a regular basis to use DSS let alone having to work in this kind of environment. It looked as if the school had thrown something together really quick to avoid a lawsuit. When I asked it I could speak with the president about my concerns, I was told his office isn't accessible, but I could meet with him elsewhere on campus. How generous of him, I thought. If having a disability meant being treated as a second-class citizen, then I would find another school.

Although this story is fiction, it is based on bits and pieces of real stories from real students. I have been working at DSS for one year now and can no longer sit back and say nothing. The administration is trying to tell us that there is absolutely nowhere on this campus that DSS can move to. God forbid if some other department is displaced to give DSS a place with more accessibility. So now I am sending out a challenge to our esteemed president Mr. George Dennison. I challenge you to spend one full day in a wheelchair on campus. The law school tried it last fall and learned how hard it is to get around our campus. One day is all it should take Mr. Dennison to make you see the light. Afterwards, I'll meet you in your office and we can discuss how your day went. Oh but wait, you won't be able to get to your office in the wheelchair...I guess we'll have to meet elsewhere on campus.

Kristie Krinock
senior, psychology
DSS employee

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Couple lives in doggy-dog world

To bond with and exercise the dogs, Zimmermann often hides in the woods and Strobel lets the dog lead him to her. "Bloodhounds need to be worked," Zimmermann said. "They chew less if they're worked."

For the brave souls who dare, local applicants wanting to adopt the bloodhounds must fill out a two-page request for a dog. Then, Strobel and Zimmermann set the bloodhound free in the applicant's home to see how he or she responds to the dog's dashing about.

"It's really amazing to me how many people don't understand the breed and have expectations of the dog," Strobel says.

Bloodhound owners need to give the dog daily exercise and space in which to move about and howl.

"They have a nice, deep, barking, bellow howl," Strobel says. "They're almost like wolves when they get togeth-

er."

And the dogs don't respond well to corporal punishment.

Zimmermann says an aggressive owner wouldn't match well with the stubborn, independent bloodhound. But when the exercise is done and the dogs are content, Strobel says, bloodhound owners are often validated in their decade of devotion.

"Their tails are wagging. They're never down. They're always happy to see you," Strobel says. "You get mauled by bloodhounds. It's neat."

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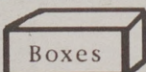
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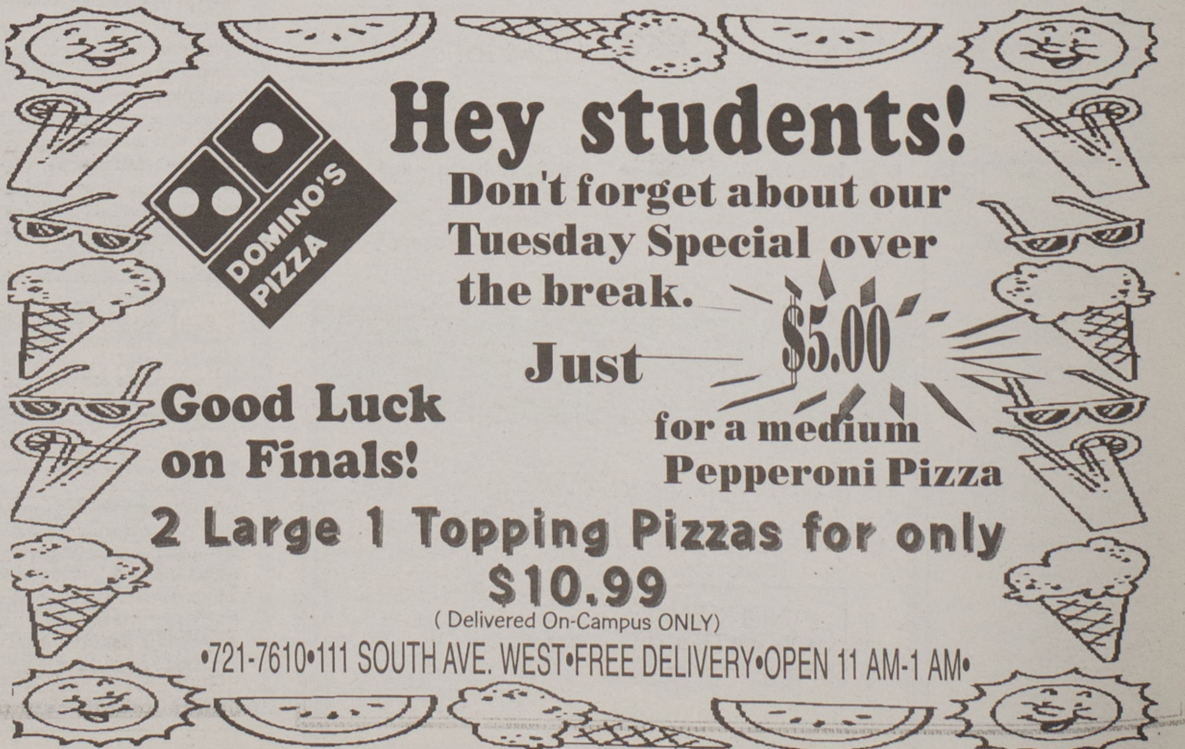
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brush up on their skills.

"A lot of the people doing this are teachers coming back for a few classes," Thielman said. "And certainly, if there is a group we don't want to put at a disadvantage it's the teachers in Montana."

Ronald Sexton, chancellor at MSU-Billings, also said the policy is in conflict with the philosophy of lifelong learning.

"I think the discussion will have to result in a decision being made — be it good, bad or ugly — that those are two conflicting policies," he said.

In April, the regents agreed to give the program another look and will examine the issue in July, Crofts said.

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Move will be 'weird'

"It won't be super convenient for anyone, but it was the most economical," Porter said.

As for other juggling during the rebuild, Porter said the field house ticket office will relocate to the University Theatre and that the athletic equipment center will move up to the front of the field house, which will not be affected in the renovation. The weight room and staff will stay put.

Porter said she is looking forward to the new "digs," even with all the hassles of

shuffling in and out for up to two football seasons. She said it's possible that the renovation of office space may not be done until the 1999 football season.

Dave Guffey, UM's director of media relations, said the move into the stadium won't be much different than the cramped quarters he has made do with over the years. However, the constant in-and-out ritual for the others does strike him as a little strange, he said.

"It'll be weird," Guffey said.

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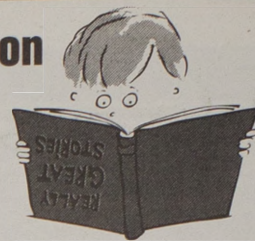
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Raise delay cuts retirement pay

Sonja Lee
Kaimin Reporter

The decision to delay faculty, staff and administrators' pay raises will leave some UM retirees short-changed.

UM faculty and administrators agreed to delay half of their raises for six months to help the university stave off a shortfall in its budget. But anyone who retires during the next three years will feel a pinch, said Jim Todd, vice president for administration and finance.

By delaying the raises, those who leave the university will have a smaller retirement base in the long

run.

"We are concerned," Todd said. "It will impact their retirement benefits forever."

Bill McBroom, president of the University Teachers' Union, also said he was concerned about the long-term impact.

"It really seems hard to help those folks," McBroom said.

A professor with 30 years at the university, for example, could see about \$200 less each year in retirement benefits, he said.

Departments are being encouraged to ask retirees to teach in the summer, which will reduce the loss, McBroom said. The university is also

exploring other options, he said.

"It's these sorts of things we are looking at to take the sting out of it," he said.

But some say the delayed raises won't create too much trouble. Hank Harrington, an environmental studies professor who has been at UM since 1971 and is retiring this year, said the discrepancy isn't too much. But if he were to wait another year to retire the difference might grow, he said.

"I've been through the figures, and there is a slight cost to me," he said. "It's not a real big concern."

Students build free bikes

Tom Greene
Kaimin reporter

Students walked into the Oval Thursday and then rode out.

As part of an effort to promote environmentally safe alternatives to transportation, Free Cycles of Missoula was on campus giving away free bicycles to whomever wanted them.

Showing up on two flatbed trailers around noon, over 100 bikes and bike repair tools were laid out on the Oval to be picked over by anyone interested. Though most bikes needed a few repairs, there were plenty of takers.

"I thought they were selling them so I walked up to check them out and found out that they were free," said sophomore history major Trevor Croghan. "It's great. I've been here about an hour and I'm going to stroll out of here with a new bike."

Free Cycles of Missoula founder Bob Giordano said the bicycles were donated to Free Cycles by Missoulians and that the event was held to

increase bike use throughout the community.

"It's all about getting bikes on the street," Giordano said.

Volunteers walked around the Oval passing out the advice and tools needed to repair the bikes. With bike experts on hand, getting the bikes in working order was a quick process that had students riding off on new bikes in no time.

A few students used the opportunity to fix problems with the bikes they already owned.

"I got it (a new bike) yesterday and I ran over a nail this morning," said freshman and wildlife biology major David Hooper. "I was planning on just going home, but then these guys showed up and let me use their stuff."

Giordano said he'd still like to see more bike lanes in Missoula but that the event was step in the right direction toward raising bike awareness.

"Hopefully the good energy will keep cycling through the summer," Giordano said.



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Finding common ground



UM students help Missoula transients and vice versa

Story by Nate Schweber

Every day, two worlds collide at the northernmost edge of the footbridge.

From the time the first light of day hits the wisps of mist rising off the Clark Fork River, until the reflection of the sunset turns the water volcanic orange, thousands of people flow past a few lone figures who sit with their backs along the downstream railing and ask the public for some sustenance.

They're Missoula's panhandlers and transients. "We all have something to teach somebody else, that's part of life," says Wayne Clark, a transient who has lived around the Kim Williams Trail for the past 17 years.

Transients are, for the most part, down on their luck, poor and exiled from mainstream society.

College students pay money to better their status in life. Sometimes, the opposites attract.

Transients offer stories, advice, friendship, examples and inspiration that some UM students say is essential to their college education, and to the Missoula community.

Often while dashing over the footbridge on her way to class, creative writing junior Dana Brewer will pass by Clark, his wife, Sarah Horton, and his dog, Dragon Dancer. No matter how late to class she is, Brewer always stops to share half her bagel or chat for a while.

"I have things to learn from them," Brewer says. "They help me see that life is a lot simpler than sometimes I make it out to be."

"Things like bills, car notes and tests really don't mean all that much when it comes down to the human spirit."

UM sophomore Sarah Chase says she's building a bicycle for one of the transients she met at the bridge because she feels a connection with him.

Chase said that sometimes she feels like she's "playing house" at college and longs to live a more basic existence. The transients remind her of real life and she says interacting with them makes her look at her life from a different perspective.

"Seeing them makes me feel grateful about what I have," Chase says. "They bring me back to real life."

UM freshman Paul Wilson says the transients are inspiring in a double-sided way. On the one hand, Wilson, who occasionally becomes stressed out by college, says he's comforted when he sees people living happily on their own means. On the other hand, Wilson says the conditions that some transients live in motivate him to work at school.

Wilson adds the transients teach him things that he doesn't learn in the classroom.

"They've got useful knowledge instead of book

smarts," Wilson says. "They see and hear and do so much more because they're so connected with all their surroundings."

Adorned in canvas pants, a beige vest, plaid shirt, gnarly sunglasses and Mickey Mouse baseball cap, Clark will spend a few hours each day down at the footbridge making more conversation than currency.

"My big thing is, I just try to be nice to people," Clark says of hustling on the footbridge for puppy chow money for Dragon Dancer. "We all find ourselves in situations where you do what you've gotta do."

Clark said he was laid off in December after holding a steady job most of his life. He lives up in the

mountains and hustles on the bridge to make ends meet.

He said the UM community provides him with much more than just loose change.

So far this week, Clark has discussed everything from train-hopping to French politics. Clark says he admires students for getting an education, and takes joy in their experiences.

"When I see them learning something and it's sinking in, it's really cool," Clark says. "When they stop and tell me about it, it brightens my whole day."

Clark says he helps out students when and where he can. He's watched students' dogs, worked on their cars and loaned them a few bucks when they're short.

"It's not a one-way street," Clark says of his relationship with UM students. "No matter what lifestyle you live, somebody always has something to offer to somebody else."

"If society would grow to accept street people, they'd find a whole other world of knowledge and talent."

Clark says a glimpse of this other world can be seen in a poem written by a fellow transient called "The Rider's Philosophy." It is written underneath the Orange Street Bridge opposite to McCormick Park where the atmosphere is filled with the sounds of the river, cars whooshing by and the gurgling of pigeons ricocheting around the rafters. For the time being, the poem is scrawled in black marker over a backdrop of grey roller-paint from the Missoula Anti-Graffiti Task Force.

A segment of the poem reads:

"After 20+ years of adventure/I have finally come to the conclusion/Whether you're a hitchhiker/Or Freight Train rider/Brothers we are one/And we NEED to help/Those who are in need."

The poem was written by "Hair-ball," a.k.a. Gary Lois Arnette, a 39-year-old transient from the East Coast who's been riding rails and hitching rides since he was 18. It took him a year to finish the poem.

Arnette values brotherhood and says he found it with a half-dozen guys in Missoula.

"We share with each other: It's called survival," Arnette says of friends like Rusty Gus and Montana Slim. "These guys are my brothers. No matter where I go, I'll always be thinking about them."

Arnette and his mates form a tight-knit unit and hang out in alleyways and parks. All Arnette has to do is call out "Frisco," and his pals shake out every spare penny of loose change they have and pool it together to buy a \$7 communal bottle of golden alcohol from Worden's Market. They routinely help rake and clean up the alleyways they



Photos by Peter Jones/Kaimin

Top: A man named "Tumbleweed" sits on the footbridge waiting for an occasional donation.
Above: Tom Tennis jumps from rock to rock near the Clark Fork River.

occupy.

"We don't hurt nobody, we just take care of each other and anyone else who needs it," says Randy Offield, a Missoula transient since 1976.

Offield says he and Arnette represent "the Old Guard" of Missoula's transients, and that people like them add color to the city.

"We may not have material possessions, but we have heart," Offield says. "There's a lot of people out here on the street that can help people out — more than you can imagine."

Paul Wolf is an example of that. The bushy-bearded, 60-something Kim Williams Trail resident helps out others while he's helping himself.

Starting at 4 a.m. every morning, Wolf visits every dumpster in downtown Missoula in search of aluminum cans to cash in at Missoula Recycling. Wolf estimates he sifts through more than 1,000 trash cans every day. His looting usually yields him around 30 pounds of cans — about \$10.

"It makes me feel good," Wolf says of his niche in Missoula. "Gol-Dang, it keeps me busy, it keeps me young. I help keep the streets clean."

Everything Wolf owns, from his bicycle to his clothing, has come from dumpsters. He took up his occupation years ago and has become somewhat a staple in the community. He says every morning people all over the city leave their bags of cans out especially for him.

"I've watched the college kids," Wolf says. "They'll hide their cans 'til the garbage men go by, then they'll bring 'em out for me."

Wolf says doctors, lawyers, students and many other people who live downtown extend this generosity. One man, Wolf says, is building him a trailer so he can haul cans around on his bicycle.

Why the kids do this for Wolf, who has lived in the mountains around Missoula for the past 30 years, is a pleasant puzzle for him.

"I don't understand it," Wolf says. "I think the students respect me, and I respect them. It's just a friendship, I think."

Wolf says students are always coming up to him and asking him to keep a lookout in the dumpsters for certain things they need. But, Wolf says, he helps them out in more ways than trinkets and parts.

"All the college kids know me, every dag-burn one," Wolf says. "They tell me their problems and every-



Wayne Clark and his wife, Sarah Horton, have been living in the woods in their summer camp made out of branches and tarps.

Stuart Thurkill/Kaimin

thing like I'm so old I'm 'sposed to solve 'em.

"I'm just someone they can drop their problems on and know it's not gonna go nowhere else."

Wolf says that although he mainly acts as a confidant and sounding board for the college students, he also offers them advice.

"I keep tryin' to tell kids," Wolf explains. "You got somethin' you wanna go do, get off 'ya ass and do it. You got one shot."

The property up the Kim Williams Trail is a jigsaw puzzle of land owned by the University, state of Montana, Forest Service, Missoula, Champion and 5-J Timber companies, AT & T and private landowners. No part of the property is legal to camp on.

Recently, Wolf and other transients, who live in camps up the Kim Williams Trail, were served eviction notices. Missoula city ordinance 12.40.010 prohibits camping in public parkways. Judge Donald Loudin says camping within city limits is also illegal.

Over the course of the year, UM police officer Jeff Kueper says he's given around eight tickets to illegal campers.

Missoula Police Chief Pete Lawrenson said every Arbor Day, UM police, county police and city police make a "general sweep" of Kim Williams Trail to inform transients of the no-camping ordinance, check I.D.s and run background checks.

UM Police Sgt. Charles Gatewood says his main problem is that some transients present a health and safety problem. Earlier this year, the identification checks turned up a wanted criminal who was camping up the Kim Williams Trail.

Clark worries about getting his own eviction notice, and keeps his house separate from those on the riverbed. Its location is secret to all but the bears, elk and bald eagles that frequent it.

Wolf says the evictions are a yearly ordeal that he doesn't sweat. After being told from an officer friend that he had to go, Wolf found another place to live for two weeks, then returned to his untouched camp up the Kim Williams Trail. He hasn't been bothered since.

Wolf says that the police heat gets some of the dangerous and untidy transients to move on and the "Old Guard" moves back soon thereafter.

"It happens every year," Wolf says.

Back at the footbridge the transients gratefully continue their unique interaction with students and vice versa.

"Think of the life experiences they've had, think of the places they've been and the things they've done," UM freshman Sarah Mankins says in reverence to the folks she walks past on an almost daily basis. "It makes me feel good to know there's people out there like that."



Tom Tennis gives a hand to an unidentified woman next to the foot bridge Thursday afternoon.

Peter Jones/Kaimin

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The Montana Kaimin's Best Section...Our Long Goodbye Issue

Save the Club... For the love of God, stop the madness!

Students, arise! To arms! The Missoulain is trying to take "Ghost Story Club" away from you! Yeah, I think you heard me right: the heavies at Lee Enterprises are trying to take the daily comics' one and only DIY strip out of the hands of the people, and they're doing it behind the smokescreen of a rigged plebescite. They want you to vote in another, and probably inferior, daily serial. They're sending you on a mission, just like Rambo, and setting you up to fail.

This is intolerable. You may cap on "Ghost Story Club" because it's too corny to be for real, but it's the PRINCIPLE of the thing, man. In case you don't read the funnies, here's how GSC works: you, the reader and fright enthusiast, send in your terrifying comic ideas and the artistic tag-team of Zullo and Kulpa make them happen in strip form, syndicated, bad and nationwide. How can you beat that? If you haven't sent in any story ideas, you've got no right to sit around and bitch about GSC, although I agree there's plenty of room for improvement. Apparently Kulpa and Zullo weren't too keen on my own contributions, but at least I'm trying. I guess "Terrorcock" and "Poltergasm" are just too avant-garde to share a page with "Hi and Lois." Fine. I'll draw them myself.

But why has GSC been targeted for termination? Why not yank "B.C.," which is usually merely stupid until a major sectarian holiday rolls around, at which time it erupts into a lot of syrupy Phariseeing and bad poetry. You could easily replace it with a Jack Chick comic, those hate-packed doomsday tracts you find on park benches and in phone booths; the art isn't any worse and they're good for way more unintentional laughs. "Dilbert" was funny for about a week but it's always basically been one big boring office in-joke that only career rat-race casualties would even want to relate to. Why not draw in some human features on the milquetoast protagonist, or just replace it with something equally riveting, like six strips' worth of drying wood sealant? "Wizard of Id" just plain looks like crap and nothing new or exciting has happened for at least thirty years.

That's a problem most of the daily comics have in common: nothing new ever happens.

BYE,
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SMETANKA



"For Better or Worse" is cool because the characters have been growing up, trying on training bras and so on. But Dennis the Menace, as much as I love the little shaver, would be in his fifties or sixties by now if Hank (or is it Hal? I think it's been passed from father to son) Ketcham wasn't perpetually stunting his growth and getting him into the same trouble over and over. Maybe his mom could catch him downloading some Hot Carl shots from the Internet.

Garfield stopped being funny in even the most slapstick and sophomoric way well over ten years ago; the lard-assed feline's creator, Jim Davis, must have a picture of the Universal Press Syndicate CEO screwing a goat. There's no other reason why the syndicator would keep flogging the same surly cat schtick to the same old papers. "Beetle Bailey" and "Blondie" are in pretty much the same boat.

Blondie's got a catering business now, but that's the only real innovation there's been since my dad sat around at my age wondering what the buxom housewife would look like without any clothes on. I sure as hell can't imagine Blondie and Dagwood DOING IT, so the least "Beetle Bailey" creator Mort Walker could do is send Miss Buxley over for some hot XXX action with Blondie and the neighbor lady, what's her name...Tootsie. Herb and Dagwood can discuss their tools, ar ar ar. At length! Ar ar ar!

The total worst comic EVER, though, is definitely "Family Circus." If those winsome tots draw one more picture for their squinting dead Grampa or take even one more roundabout route back from the corner

store (pooping out little black lines as they amble along), I'm going to march into the Missoulain offices and personally vomit a quart of cherry Kool-Aid into their fax machine. And what kind of mes-

sage is that housebound baby factory in FC supposed to be sending to today's young women? It makes me sick at heart.

Well, enough of this rant. I was hoping to make this, my last column, a sensitive retrospective of my years here at UM. Sidetracked, as usual, by last-minute filth. Thanks for reading all my bullshit.

Love, Andy.

Letter to Conan: A Reporter's Twisted Love

We always joke about using our reporting jobs to get dates. That's because we recognize the similarity between interviewing strangers for stories and screening people for dating compatibility. We have an advantage as journalists, however; an intangible permit that lets us ask intrusive questions.

Having said that, I hope readers will understand why I'm exploiting my position to try and get through to Conan O'Brien, my make-believe boyfriend. It's not a completely selfish endeavor. Maybe this will serve as a template for those of you still wondering how to approach that special someone, but it's probably better if it doesn't.

Dear Conan,

Before I officially begin this letter, I'd like to assert one important fact. I am not a stalker, but I do have the milk ad you posed for on my fridge—and it's not 'cause I like milk. I also have your high school picture that I cut out of some glossy on my cupboard, and it's not 'cause I liked high school, even though I did.

It may sound like I've got you on a pedestal, but I don't, just on a fridge and a cupboard. And I don't think that you're perfect or God or anything like that. I think you're a dork actually, a snugly cute dorky morsel. That's why I let you come over and chill in my living room around 11:30 p.m. Mountain time. Also, you don't appear to be a womanizer like the other late-night talk show hosts.

After I told one of my friends how I sometimes have wine when you come over (I hope your girlfriend doesn't mind), she said tons of women like Conan, in so many words.

"Oh, like he doesn't get panties thrown at him everywhere he goes," is what she actually said.

But he's such a dork, I told her. She agreed but insisted that Conan is a rich and famous dork and

there are a few members of my sex that are down with that.

But I'm not like the panty-throwers, Conan. You gotta believe me when I say that.

Love letter
by
Rachel
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Rachel and her homemade "Conan-puppet." Please, Conan, just call the girl.

And I want you to know that I'm not asking for anything unreasonable or impractical or for an ending like the one in "Romancing the Stone." I don't want you to take me home to meet Mom and Dad O'Brien or Mom and Dad maternal side. All I ask is that next time you watch "Fival Goes West," "Legends of the Fall" or some other cheesy movie that takes place out West, especially if Brad

Pitt's in it, you think of your greatest fan in Montana, Rachie-Rach.

p.s. My roommate said you wore a leotard on your show the other night, but I was at work and missed it. Could you look deep in your heart, find the leotard, pluck 'er out and wear it again?

Sincerely,
Rachie-Rach.

p.p.s. I'd like to give special thanks to all three loyal Kaimin readers, because if nobody read, nobody would write and I would have to take up golf. Happy summer time.

Love and kisses, Rachie-Rach

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Some last-minute thoughts

OK kids, this is it. After three years of getting the run-around, watching the journalism school's circus-like politics, and wasting entire semesters downtown only to bust ass as finals loom, I am finally getting the hell outta Dodge.

Now, on the eve of my departure, it is time to wax poetic about my ambivalence towards this sordid little school. I'm getting out while the gettin's good, since future years will only be more tripe — more money dumped into the cavernous maw of Griz athletics, more Army guys justifying government censorship to journalism classes, more dumbass trustees invading town, ad nauseum.

I'm not all full of piss and vinegar, however. Several teachers were worthy of worship and I really didn't have to spend that much money to get my degree (hailing from Glendive has its good points). My friends in Missoula are zany indeed. Squirt's "wind-mills," fistfighting at Chez Bundy's, orchestra dorks, opening cans o' whoopass with my favorite Independent staffer, lighting my hair afire at Charlie's, and last but not least, Goodman will not be forgotten.

by
Beth
Kampschror

gotten. Ah, the memories! My new home lies in the wild Upper Peninsula of Michigan, home of Hemingway's manly fish-ing tales, pasties and saunas (pronounced SOW-nas). I marked my initial entrance in 1995 by falling down the stairs of a friend's house in a 40-oz-induced stupor. It is a grand place. I really have to behave, though, or I might find myself canned from my first real job.

I'm already working to fit in. Yooper-speak is a language in itself so I have been practicing my "Yah" and "Hey dere" daily. And muttering "Christ," in an old codger voice while scratching should win me a few points.

To say I'm excited about this move is an understatement. This is the longest I've lived in any one spot since high school and I'm itching to take off. Not to sound like one of those retarded award ceremonies, but I have to thank my editor for leniently editing all my calumnies this semester.

And to everyone else, if I ever run for president, keep mum about the time you saw me downtown with a hypodermic in my eye, a glass of absinthe in my grip and a dozen fourth grade boys in the trunk of my car. So long, suckers.

Keepin' it real, living the ideal frosh life

Though I don't even pretend to pawn myself off as an avid student, I spent a lot of time mulling over a point made in my cattle-herd "Anthropology 101" class. In a lecture about society and kinship, the prof stated that "real" is what people do and "ideal" is what people SAY they do.

I was taken aback at this blatantly obvious notion, for I'd been completely overlooking it in my own life. It got me thinking (yet another example of the quirky, organic way that college educates somebody). For the past couple of weeks, I've been reviewing my current life, my freshman year at college and what I've REALLY been doing to see if they jive with the ideal I've concocted in my head.

In taking inventory of the "real" me I was happy to discover that most of the things that I want to be doing, I am doing.

I spend a lot of time working on the Kaimin (whew, that's not something I just thought). I write a lot of e-mails. I go check out my favorite local bands whenever I can. I play a fair amount of music. I listen to a whole lotta music. I exert a lot of energy cat-dogging true love. I don't take college at the University of Montana too seriously. All of that pretty much grooves with what I think I want to be doing.

I don't however, read as many books and newspapers as I think I should. I haven't dressed in drag as much as I'd like to. Nor do I practice music as much as I wish.

Hmm...those are ideals that need to be worked on.

Perhaps with finals week still in front of me, I'd be counting my perverbial unhatched eggs to declare my freshman year of college a success, but I survived relatively undaunted. I'd have to compare it more to a dull grind than a sparkling success, but there were some definite high points:

I met my idol in life; Mick Jagger. I baptized my necklace in two oceans. I visited Chicago. I had some great hitchhiking adventures. I saw a bunch of AMAZING concerts this year (Taj Mahal, Ziggy Marley, Keb' Mo', Bonnie Raitt, Richard Thompson, Tina Turner, U2, the Rolling Stones — woo, baby) I got good press. I started cutting my own hair. I wrote a lot of articles. I had a few fun late nights with "friends."

As far as real and ideal goes, I'd say my two are pretty much in synch, and I'm happy about that. I've still got a nagging fear that perhaps the reason my school year didn't suck hell was all a fluke, so I'm apprehensive about becoming a sophomore. But I think I'm in as good a position as I could really be in after a quarter of my collegiate career.

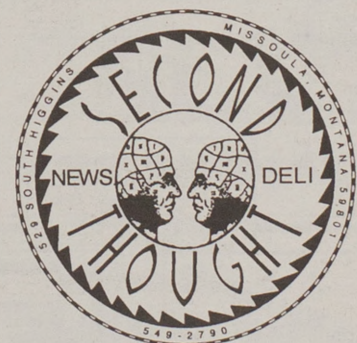
Phase two of my groovy life plan will be executing my master scheme to become a glamorous rock-star journalist. But I'm in no position to gauge how much of THAT is just silly idealism talking.

Column
by
Nate
Schweber

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Graduating culinary arts students are...

Going out with a taste of France

Story by Stephanie Wampler
Photos by Katherine Bead

For a month and a half, culinary arts students at the UM-College of Technology have been preparing a nine-course French meal to be served Saturday to about 115 guests.

This year's Escoffier Dinner menu, was created by student Beki Huffman. A local chef chose Huffman's selections from a number of menus submitted by her and her classmates, giving her the title of chef du cuisine.



include sea bass, fresh fruit appetizers and desert.

Sixteen graduating culinary arts students and two instructors have helped Huffman prepare for Saturday. On Thursday afternoon, students in white cotton jackets sampled lemon sorbet, the fourth serving of Saturday's meal, as the day's preparations wound down.

"Chaos is the reason I've chosen to do this," said Huffman. "Chaos in the kitchen is why most chefs are in the kitchen."

"It's a given something will be forgotten at the last minute, but I know it will run smoothly."

Frank Sonnenberg, chef instructor, said the food was donated by Missoula businesses, and that Saturday's feast would feature four types of wine.

Tickets are \$25 per dinner or \$45 per couple.

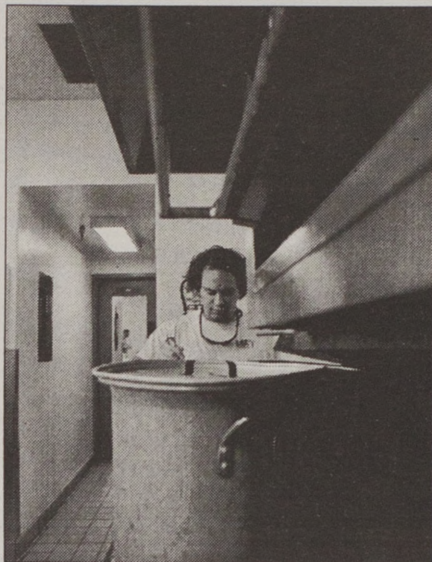
"It's reasonably priced for all of the courses, and we usually sell out," Sonnenberg said.

Huffman will graduate from the culinary program in two weeks and then plans to take business and management classes at UM.

"I'm going to leave as soon as I graduate," Huffman says. "Being a chef, I can go anywhere in the world."

The money from the dinner goes toward next year's Escoffier Dinner, and for student tickets to the Chef of the Year Dinner. This is the fifth year of the Escoffier Dinner.

"About five years ago the graduating class said they wanted to end their two-year study with a nice classical dinner," Sonnenberg said Sonnenberg. "That way they can leave on an up note and it's been a tradition ever since."



Above, Sara Gingrich, stirs the secret sauce for the Salade des Fruits au Sabayon de Champaign.

Left, University of Montana College of Technology culinary arts student Joe Corona slaves over a hot veal consommé in preparation for Saturday's annual banquet.

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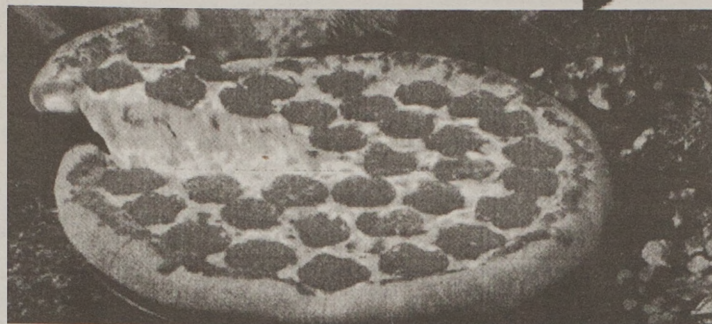
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Sports

Top 10 sports stories

Here are the 10 most memorable sports stories of 1997-98:

1. Griz fall to Eastern Washington
Eastern Washington did what no team had done in four years. Beating the Griz 40-35 in Washington-Grizzly Stadium, you could feel the silence hang over the stadium as the Griz failed to recover a final on-side kick. Eastern went on to win the conference, and the Griz started a new streak with a win over Cal State-Northridge.

2. Lady Griz take home the Big Sky
Fighting past a tough NAU defense, and riding the coat tails of senior Angella Bieber's 24 points and 7 rebounds, the Lady Griz took home their fourth straight Big Sky title beating the Lumberjacks 58-48.

3. Soccer team is first ever Big Sky Champion
After sweeping the regular season, the UM soccer team hosted and won the inaugural Big Sky Tournament, beating Weber State 4-2. Junior Sara Overgaag led the way with two goals, in a game highlighted by two streakers before the National Anthem.

4. Heppner is Money in Bozeman
With six seconds left, trailing MSU 25-24, 10 years of tradition rested on UM kicker Kris Heppner's shoulders. His icy demeanor and money kick from 43 yards pushed the Griz streak over the Cats to 11, and made everything right in the world again.

5. Chief cook or bottle washer
In an opportunity he couldn't pass up, Blaine Taylor announced he was leaving Montana to become an assistant basketball coach at Stanford University under former Grizzly coach Mike Montgomery. Taylor leaves the program with the third most wins ever, and the best all-time record versus the Bobcats. In a press conference, Taylor expressed his desire to win a game in the NCAA tournament, but it didn't matter if it was as an assistant or a head coach. "I don't care if it's as chief cook or bottle washer," Taylor said.

6. Sisco passes up all the rest
With a flip to Lauren Cooper for a soft jumper to send the game into overtime against Portland State, UM senior point guard Skyla Sisco etched her name in Big Sky Conference history forever becoming the leagues all-time leader in assists. Sisco would finish as the league MVP and end her career with 587 assists.

7. Griz shoot down Cats in home final
When Bob Olson is drilling three pointers, you know the Griz are on a roll. Olson's deep three sparked a late Montana run that they would never look back from beating the Cats 72-66. Olson was on his way to a 18 point 11 rebound day.

8. Scott brings home number 500
After 20 years as UM's head volleyball coach, Dick Scott 500th win was well deserved. The Griz dropped Idaho State for the history win. The victory would keep the Griz in the playoff hunt and a victory over MSU would get them into the Big Sky Tournament, only to be bounced by Northern Arizona.

9. Roban accused of possession of marijuana pipes
UM basketball player Jim Roban was suspended from the basketball team after two marijuana pipes were found in his car parked in a reserved spot. He was suspended until a friend claimed the pipes were his. Roban left the team at semester, citing a desire to "get a clean start."

10. First women's lacrosse team, first lacrosse championship
The UM women's lacrosse club took the Northern Regional Title by beating Puget Sound 13-6. The Lady Griz ended their season with a 6-4-1 record.

Bieber, Blaine, Brooke make top ten performances

Of all the standout performances in 1997-98 here are 10 that demand a second round of applause:

1. Paffhausen leaves sick bed to lead Griz to victory, 9/23/97. Despite a 104-degree fever just days before the Grizzly football team's game against St. Mary's, Josh Paffhausen broke UM's single-game receiving record with 15 catches. The senior receiver gained 175 yards with two touchdowns in the Grizzlies' 35-14 win over the Gaels.

2. Warhank for three...yes! 2/21/98. In a losing effort in Cheney against Eastern Washington, sophomore guard Mike Warhank connected on 9 of 15 three-point attempts, en route to 33 points. The nine treys set a new school record.

3. Bieber MVP, 3/10/98. Angella Bieber picked the right day to have the game of her life — the Big Sky Tournament Championship. Bieber's 24 point, seven rebound performance in the Lady Griz' 58-48 win over Northern Arizona earned her MVP honors and the Lady Griz another trip to the Big Dance.

4. Last second 'Cat-Griz magic.

11/22/97.

Kris Heppner's 37-yard field goal as time expired gave the Grizzly football team a come-from-behind victory — UM's 12th straight — over Montana State.

5. Hat trick highlights 10-0 blowout, 9/8/97.

The UM soccer team's Karen Hardy notched her first of two hat tricks for the 1997 season, against Oregon State.

6. And in first place: Brooke Stinson, 4/19/98.

Taking home victories in the 100- 200-and-400-meters along with anchoring both the 400- and 1,600-meter relays, the junior track star owned UM's dual meet with Montana State.

7. They're not gonna get him! 9/30/97.

In the Grizzly football team's 52-10 stomping of Sacramento State, Josh Brannen had a field day. The senior ran for 187 yards on 14 carries.

8. Rejected by Thorson! 11/4/97.

At UM's South Campus Field two things were constants: The UM soccer team rarely lost and it rarely gave up goals. A big reason for their success was senior goalkeeper Railene Thorson, who recorded her ninth shutout of the season in the Grizzlies 1-0 home win over San Diego.

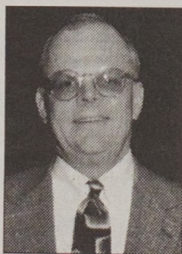
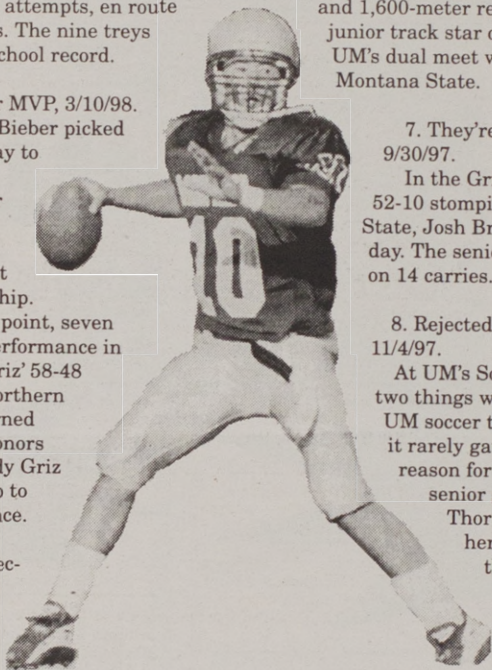
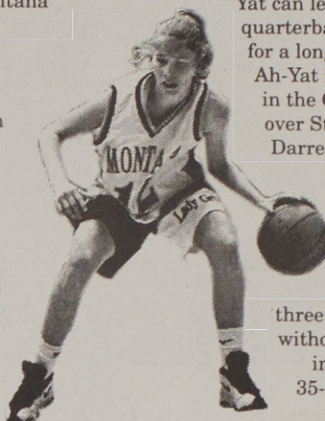
9. And he's the back-up? 9/23/97.

Playing behind an All-American and Walter Payton Ward Finalist Brian Ah-Yat can leave a back-up quarterback on the bench for a long time. But when Ah-Yat injured his knee in the Griz' 24-10 victory over Stephen F. Austin, Darren Rowell was

forced to start in his place against St. Mary's. All he did was complete 34 of 46 passes for 368 yards and three touchdown passes without a pick, in leading the Griz to the 35-14 victory.

10. The changing of the guard, 4/13/98.

Despite the departure of one of the most successful coaches in school history and a luke warm introduction from the management, newly appointed interim head coach Don Holst greeted the media and Missoula with sincerity and honest enthusiasm. His team will play at Missoula Sentinel High School this coming season and moves into the newly renovated Harry Adams Field House in autumn of 1999.



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